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## Amendments to the Claims:

This listing will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

## **Listing of Claims:**

Claim 1 (currently amended): A disposable surgical gown, comprising:

a main body including a front body and a back body; and

sleeves extending from both sides of upper end of the main body, wherein

the main body comprises a plurality of assembly sheets having air permeability and liquid non-permeability, the assembly sheets being bonded to each other exclusively only along edges of the sheets using a continuous bonding line that extends only along edges of the sheets.

Claim 2 (original): A disposable surgical gown according to claim 1, wherein the bonding line is any one of a fusion-bonded seal line and a seal line using an adhesive.

Claim 3 (original): A disposable surgical gown according to claim 1, wherein

the bonding line is formed to be any one selected from a linear or straight bonding line, a wave-shaped bonding line, a zigzag bonding line, a lattice-shaped bonding line, a spiral bonding line, or a combination thereof.



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Claim 4 (original): A disposable surgical gown according to claim 1, wherein a plurality of discontinuous bonding portions are arranged adjacent the continuous bonding line.

Claim 5 (currently amended): A disposable surgical gown according to [claims] claim 1, wherein the bonding line is formed while the sheets are flowing along an assembly line; and the width of the bonding line in a direction perpendicular to the flowing direction of the sheets is set to 0.1 mm to 15 mm.

Claim 6 (currently amended): A disposable surgical gown according to [claims] claim 1, further comprising:

an auxiliary member, which is provided at an inner upper end of the back body, wherein the auxiliary member is folded by an assistant when the gown is worn by a wearer.

Claim 7 (currently amended): A disposable surgical gown according to [claims] claim 6, wherein the auxiliary member comprises two parts which are arranged at upper corners of the black body.

Claim 8 (currently amended): A disposable surgical gown according to [claims] claim 7, wherein



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the two parts of the auxiliary member are shaped to be triangle pockets.

Claim 9 (currently amended): A disposable surgical gown according to [claims] claim 1, further comprising:

[an] a water-absorbent sheet provided around a neck portion of the front body for absorbing sweat of a wearer.

Claim 10 (currently amended): A disposable surgical gown according to [claims] claim 9, wherein the water-absorbent sheet is shaped and arranged so as not to extend outwardly from an upper edge of the front body.

Claim 11 (currently amended): A disposable surgical gown according to [claims] claim 6, further comprising:

[an] a water-absorbent sheet provided around a neck portion of the front body for absorbing sweat of a wearer.

Claim 12 (original): A disposable surgical gown, comprising:

a main body including a front body and a back body;

sleeves extending from both sides of upper ends of the main body; and

an auxiliary member, which is provided at an inner upper end of the back body, wherein



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the auxiliary member is folded by an assistant when the gown is worn by a wearer.

Claim 13 (currently amended): A disposable surgical gown according to [claims] claim 12, wherein the auxiliary member comprises two parts which are arranged at upper corners of the back body.

Claim 14 (currently amended): A disposable surgical gown according to [claims] claim 13, wherein the two parts of the auxiliary member are shaped to be triangle pockets.

Claim 15 (currently amended): A disposable surgical gown according to [claims] claim 12, further comprising:

[an] a water-absorbent body for absorbing sweat of a wearer.

Claim 16 (original): A disposable surgical gown, comprising:

a main body including a front body and a back body;

sleeves extending from both sides of upper ends of the main body; and

[an] a water-absorbent body for absorbing sweat of a wearer.

Claim 17 (currently amended): A disposable surgical gown according to [claims] claim 16, wherein





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the water-absorbent sheet is shaped and arranged so as not to extend outwardly from an upper edge of the front body.